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**Week Ending August 2, 2015**

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, August 2, 2015**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 12 percent very short, 35 percent short, 45 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 11 percent very short, 28 percent short, 55 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 66.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Calico Rock to 74.9 degrees Fahrenheit at Des Arc. Highs ranged from 87.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 99.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Conway. The precipitation for the week was minimal throughout the state, with the highest concentration in the southwest region of the state with an average of 0.21 inches.

**Crop progress for week ending August 2, 2015**

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, dough	96	89	94	94
Corn, dent	81	62	72	79
Corn, mature	26	9	36	36
Cotton, setting bolls	94	92	94	97
Cotton, open bolls	1	0	0	1
Peanuts, pegging	93	89	NA	NA
Rice, headed	65	45	46	59
Rice, mature	5	0	NA	NA
Sorghum, headed	93	82	97	95
Sorghum, coloring	64	48	55	56
Sorghum, mature	7	0	2	9
Soybeans, emerged	100	99	98	100
Soybeans, blooming	88	81	84	85
Soybeans, setting pods	70	55	68	64
Soybeans, turning color	4	0	NA	NA

**Crop condition for week ending August 2, 2015**

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn	6	3	25	48	18
Cotton	4	2	16	43	35
Hay, alfalfa	1	6	59	30	4
Hay, other	3	15	39	37	6
Livestock	2	2	30	57	9
Pasture	2	9	32	46	11
Peanuts	2	4	55	36	3
Rice	3	4	20	55	18
Sorghum	2	2	15	57	24
Soybeans	5	7	26	48	14

**Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents**

“Melon harvest continues. Spraying cattle for flies. Harvesting hay and spraying weeds and brush.”

-Joe Moore, Sharp County

“Rice crop is moving along quickly due to warm temperatures. A few fields received fungicide applications this week, and hybrid fields have received boot nitrogen applications. Irrigation was the major activity for most row crop farmers during the week. Scouting for insects in all the crops has been taking place during the week. Many livestock producers have harvested second cuttings on warm season forages.”

-Mike Andrews, Randolph County

“Last irrigation on corn; sugarcane aphid in Lonoke County on milo is being treated. Rice and corn look good. Pastures going south.”

-Jeff Welch, Lonoke County

“Cooler temperatures are a great help to our crops. The high nighttime temperatures were a great concern for our crops, especially heading rice. With cooler temperatures our crops are not using as much water, so we should go further between irrigation. We are seeing treatment levels of bean leaf beetles in soybeans. There is concern of headworms in our grain sorghum. Our early planted corn and grain sorghum has no need for any more irrigation. Farmers can devote more of their irrigation water now to rice and soybeans.”

-Mitch Crow, Saint Francis County

“Getting hotter and drier, but excellent hay weather. Producers will need moisture soon if a good last crop is possible. No reports of army worms, but conditions are perfect.”

-Robin Bridges, Union County

## Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending August 2, 2015

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
<b>Northwest</b>										
Kingston	87.6	67.9	77.7	78.4	-0.7	0.00	0	NA	4.45	NA
Lead Hill	89.3	67.2	78.3	77.3	1.0	0.00	0	-0.69	6.24	3.09
Extreme/Average	88.4	67.6	78.0	77.9	0.1	0.00	0	-0.69	5.35	3.09
<b>North Central</b>										
Calico Rock	90.0	66.1	78.1	77.9	0.2	0.07	1	-0.71	3.96	0.75
Evening Shade	92.0	66.2	79.1	80.4	-1.3	0.02	1	-0.69	1.64	-2.04
Gilbert	92.3	67.7	80.0	79.6	0.4	0.00	0	-0.74	2.14	-0.77
Mammoth Spring	92.9	67.9	80.4	78.0	2.4	0.00	0	-0.75	5.82	2.57
Mountain Home	91.4	70.7	81.1	79.5	1.6	0.00	0	-0.70	5.07	1.96
Mountain View	93.3	69.7	81.5	80.0	1.5	0.05	1	-0.88	4.87	1.64
Extreme/Average	92.0	68.0	80.0	79.2	0.8	0.02	1	-0.74	3.92	0.68
<b>Northeast</b>										
Corning	92.2	71.8	82.0	80.5	1.5	0.23	1	-0.53	2.41	-1.01
Jonesboro	93.1	71.4	82.3	80.4	1.9	0.00	0	-0.80	6.04	2.94
Newport	91.1	72.9	82.0	81.2	0.8	0.00	0	-0.78	7.25	3.77
Pocahontas	94.3	72.0	83.1	79.7	3.5	0.00	0	-0.75	2.33	-0.77
Searcy	96.2	71.7	83.9	81.6	2.4	0.00	0	-0.66	2.20	-1.03
Extreme/Average	93.4	72.0	82.7	80.7	2.0	0.05	1	-0.70	4.05	0.78
<b>West Central</b>										
Dardanelle	96.5	70.3	83.4	82.0	1.4	0.00	0	NA	2.88	NA
Mena	94.9	68.0	81.4	79.1	2.3	0.15	1	-0.85	1.10	-3.19
Subiaco	96.6	71.1	83.9	81.3	2.6	0.00	0	-0.76	2.49	-0.52
Waldron	97.3	69.1	83.2	79.9	3.3	0.00	0	-0.75	0.93	-2.09
Extreme/Average	96.3	69.6	83.0	80.6	2.4	0.04	1	-0.79	1.85	-1.93
<b>Central</b>										
Alum Fork	93.6	70.9	82.2	80.0	2.2	0.00	0	-0.84	3.92	0.31
Cabot	98.8	68.4	83.9	81.2	2.7	0.00	0	-0.52	0.56	-1.62
Conway	99.0	71.1	85.1	81.4	3.7	0.00	0	-0.71	2.86	0.05
Hot Springs	96.1	74.0	85.1	82.6	2.5	0.00	0	-0.98	0.14	-3.96
Morrilton	97.4	70.3	83.9	81.0	2.9	0.00	0	-0.67	3.63	0.59
Extreme/Average	97.0	70.9	84.0	81.2	2.8	0.00	0	-0.74	2.22	-0.93
<b>East Central</b>										
Brinkley	95.0	74.4	84.7	81.0	3.7	0.00	0	-0.67	1.85	-1.12
Des Arc	95.3	74.9	85.1	82.4	2.7	0.00	0	-0.66	1.78	-1.01
Keo	92.2	73.0	82.6	81.2	1.4	0.00	0	-0.48	1.30	-1.66
Stuttgart	94.4	74.0	84.2	81.5	2.7	0.00	0	-0.72	0.33	-2.58
West Memphis	95.6	74.7	85.1	81.3	3.8	0.00	0	-0.78	2.35	-0.54
Extreme/Average	94.5	74.2	84.3	81.5	2.9	0.00	0	-0.66	1.52	-1.38
<b>Southwest</b>										
Dequeen	96.0	71.2	83.6	81.6	2.1	0.78	1	0.33	1.02	-1.78
Hope	96.0	69.7	82.6	81.9	0.7	0.00	0	-0.73	0.00	-3.17
Nashville	98.3	71.0	84.6	82.8	1.8	0.04	1	-0.77	0.11	-3.41
Extreme/Average	96.8	70.6	83.6	82.1	1.5	0.21	1	-0.44	0.33	-2.77
<b>South Central</b>										
Camden	97.5	71.5	84.5	82.0	2.6	0.00	0	-0.71	0.56	-2.57
Fordyce	96.5	71.8	84.2	80.2	4.0	0.00	0	-0.71	0.36	-3.13
Sparkman	94.7	69.3	82.0	81.2	0.8	0.00	0	-0.80	0.32	-3.04
Extreme/Average	96.2	70.9	83.6	81.1	2.4	0.00	0	-0.74	0.41	-2.91
<b>Southeast</b>										
Crossett	96.4	69.6	83.0	81.1	1.9	0.00	0	-0.81	1.50	-2.06
Eudora	97.7	73.9	85.8	83.4	2.4	0.00	0	-0.85	2.00	-1.43
Pine Bluff	96.0	74.3	85.1	82.4	2.8	0.00	0	-0.97	NA	-3.74
Rohwer	93.1	72.9	83.0	81.7	1.3	0.00	0	-0.74	4.13	1.01
Extreme/Average	95.8	72.7	84.2	82.1	2.1	0.00	0	-0.84	2.54	-1.56
<b>State</b>	94.6	70.9	82.7	80.7	2.0	0.03	0	-0.71	2.41	-0.83

DFN = Departure from Normal.

Normal= Averaged Collected Data from the Years 1981-2010.

NA = Not Available.